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**"AN ACT CONCERNING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR
NURSING HOME EMPLOYEES WHO PROVIDE DIRECT CARE TO
RESIDENTS."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 17b-365 of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

5 (a) The Commissioner of Social Services may, within available
6 appropriations, establish and operate a pilot program to allow
7 individuals to receive assisted living services, provided by an assisted
8 living services agency licensed by the Department of Public Health in
9 accordance with chapter 368v. In order to be eligible for the program,
10 an individual shall: (1) Reside in a managed residential community, as
11 defined by the regulations of the Department of Public Health; (2) be
12 ineligible to receive assisted living services under any other assisted
13 living pilot program established by the General Assembly; and (3) be

14 eligible for services under the Medicaid waiver portion of the
15 Connecticut home-care program for the elderly established under
16 section 17b-342. The total number of individuals enrolled in said pilot
17 program, when combined with the total number of individuals
18 enrolled in the pilot program established pursuant to section 17b-366,
19 shall not exceed [seventy-five] one hundred fifty individuals. The
20 Commissioner of Social Services shall operate said pilot program in
21 accordance with the Medicaid rules established pursuant to 42 USC
22 1396p(c), as from time to time amended.

23 (b) The pilot program established pursuant to this section may
24 begin operation on or after January 1, 2003. Not later than January 1,
25 2005, the Commissioner of Social Services shall report, in accordance
26 with section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General
27 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health,
28 human services, appropriations and the budgets of state agencies on
29 the pilot program.

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31 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

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33 appropriations, establish and operate a pilot program to allow
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35 living services agency licensed by the Department of Public Health, in
36 accordance with chapter 368v. In order to be eligible for the pilot
37 program, an individual shall: (1) Reside in a managed residential
38 community, as defined by the regulations of the Department of Public
39 Health; (2) be ineligible to receive assisted living services under any
40 other assisted living pilot program established by the General
41 Assembly; and (3) be eligible for services under the state-funded
42 portion of the Connecticut home-care program for the elderly
43 established under section 17b-342. The total number of individuals
44 enrolled in said pilot program, when combined with the total number
45 of individuals enrolled in the pilot program established pursuant to
46 section 17b-365, shall not exceed [seventy-five] one hundred fifty

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